

Scrutineers' Bulletin

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Officials' Learning & Development Week 2021

Further to last month's Bulletin, we can now provide some more details on the plans for Officials' Learning and Development Week 2021.

The weekend sessions will be aimed primarily at Clerks, Stewards and Scrutineers; however, all Officials are encouraged to attend. Topics covered will include an update on COVID-19 procedures, handling serious incidents and effective communication. There will also be a general Motorsport UK update and, if time allows, a Q&A session with senior Motorsport UK representatives.

Spaces on the weekend webinars are limited, so please use the links below to register for your chosen date and time. If your first choice is fully booked, please try a different one. A 15-minute comfort break will be provided halfway through.

The content for each webinar will be the same, so there is no need to register for more than one session.

Saturday 23 January 2021 (10:00 – 13:00)

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Sunday 24 January 2021 (10:00 – 13:00)

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Saturday 30 January 2021 (10:00 – 13:00)

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Sunday 31 January 2021 (10:00 – 13:00)

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Sunday 31 January 2021 (14:00 – 17:00)

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In addition to the weekend sessions (which, for Stewards, Clerks and Scrutineers, count towards your licence maintenance requirements), there will be some role-specific webinars taking place on the following week-day evenings:

Kart Scrutineers

Tuesday 26 January (18:00 – 20:00)

Scrutineers

Friday 29 January (18:00 – 20:00)

Content information and registration links for these webinars will be sent via email in due course.

If you have any questions, please email training@motorsportuk.org



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Eligibility Assessment Dates

Eligibility Scrutineers awaiting assessment were contacted directly by email last month to detail our future plans to complete their assessments. We can now confirm the proposed dates and venues below:

Essex - Mountune	Leeds - Ginetta	Cheshire - Nantwich
Saturday 20 February	Saturday 27 February	Saturday 6 March
	Sunday 28 February	Sunday 7 March

The running of these assessment sessions is dependent on any COVID-19 restrictions in February and March preventing them to take place. Social distancing and heightened hygiene measures will be in place and there will be no more than six people present, including the assessors.

Please note that there are both morning and afternoon sessions available at most of the venues, and each session is limited to three Scrutineers. Places for all sessions will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Those Eligibility Scrutineers awaiting assessment will again be contacted directly by email with details on how to sign-up to their chosen session.

These sessions are for the assessment of currently licensed Eligibility Scrutineers only. Dates at the same venues for those wishing to train towards their Eligibility Scrutineer grade, or for those wanting to be assessed for their upgrade, will be advised separately.

Existing Eligibility Scrutineers will be assessed on the eligibility modules that they currently hold, all equipment and tools are provided, and the assessments will be delivered by Technical Commissioners.

Seat Mountings

Further amendments have been made to the seat mounting regulations in (K)2.2.1, these amendments give further detail to the requirements for transverse seat mounting rails. Please remember that these new regulations are only a requirement for new build cars from 01 January 2021. They are not to be retrospectively applied to existing cars.

The updated regulations can be found on our website in the November 2020 approved changes document, at the following link:

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/the-sport/regulations/approved-changes/>

In addition, we are currently undertaking research into existing seat mountings to enable us to formulate best practice guidance for existing vehicles, and we would like to ask for your assistance in this – if you have any examples of seat mountings deemed unsuitable or unsafe, or more importantly any examples of seat mount failures, we would like to hear details of these mounts, and ideally see images. If you do have any examples you can share, please email technical@motorsportuk.org



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Harness Installation

We have recently seen further examples of harness shoulder straps wrapped around harness bars in an incorrect manner. Shown in the photo to the right.

As can be seen, for each shoulder strap the 3-bar adjuster is set a significant distance away from the ROPS harness bar (it should be as close as possible) and the strap itself has not been passed back through the adjuster for the third time.

Looking carefully in the background, you can just about see that the other occupant's harness is installed in the same way. With an installation like this, there is a significantly increased potential for slippage in the system – both longitudinally, as well as laterally on the harness bar – with potentially serious consequences in the case of an incident.

When installing harness shoulder straps on ROPS harness bars with a 3-bar adjuster such as in this case, the installation should always be carried out as shown in these examples below. Noting in particular that the adjuster is placed as close as possible to the harness bar, and the strap passes back through for the important third time, leaving at least 100mm of free length. Remember that a useful harness installation guide is available on the Document Library area of our website [here](#).



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